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# THE OYEN NEWS

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## Attention!

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## Are You Interested in Tractors?

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## Local Items

Holland Canada Mortgage Co. Money to lend on improved farms at a rate of eight per cent. F. McClean, barrister, is agent for the Oyen district.

A hard time dance will be given in the Hill's school house on Friday Dec 14th. Everybody is welcome. A good prize for the best costume representative of hard times will be awarded.

Gold crowns, inlays and artificial teeth and special attention to bridgework, Dr. Taylor, Alaska.

Art Fry was a Calgary visitor last week.

Private Chester Tupper is now in a Canadian hospital at Clivedon, England.

Elmer McArthur and his father, Mr. McArthur, have been in Calgary on business.

Private Simpson, who has been employed in S. A. Miller store has returned to Calgary.

Information has reached Oyen that Floyd Horne who left Canada with the 17th battalion and was wounded last April, has returned to France from England.

According to the Alberta Gazette, the Oyen Fair Association was incorporated with a capital of \$5,000.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Kelly and family left for Thursday morning for Ontario, where they will spend a short vacation.

G. W. Lemmon, general manager of the Dominion sales company is in charge of the P. W. Hart's sale.

C. B. Snyder was down from Youngstown last week.

F. Webster is acting manager of the Bank of Toronto during the absence of B. E. Kelly.

C. B. Cook was one of the westbound passengers on Thursday morning last.

Mrs. J. E. Heckmiller has disposed of her farm implements and stock and will reside in Beiton.

Charles Melville is one of the new members of the Bank of Toronto staff.

The Oyen News received a letter from Gunner Jas. C. T. Hall of the Coburg Heavy Battery and he expects to go overseas immediately. The gunner's number is 232713. R. F. Hall, a brother, is now at Campbellford, Ont.

Nelson Evans left on Saturday for Ontario where he will spend the next three months.

Sam Wong was in Calgary last of the week.

Now is the time to see that the coal bins are full. The fuel controller has given out instructions that only a two month's supply of coal can be had on hand.

The Christmas entertainment of the Kirkwell Sunday school will be held in the Kirkwell school-house on Wednesday, Dec 19th at 7:30 P. M. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Robt McDonald of Outlook R. C. has accepted a position on the staff of the Bank of Hamilton.

The Peterson Motor Company have taken over the McCormick Agency recently owned by C. P. Snyder. The new firm intend to give the farmers the best of service and will always have on hand a full stock of repairs and farm implements.

## Political Meeting Saturday Dec 15

A big Union Meeting will be held in the Oyen Opera House on Saturday, Dec 15th at 8 P.M. when the following speakers will be present: H. H. Brown N. A. McClellan of Medicine Hat and H. C. Mangles Youngstown. The main issues of the day will be freely discussed and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody to be present.

## Former Oyen Man Marries

Miss Myrtle T. Wynes became the wife of Charles H. Hedges on December 3, at Miles City, Montana, both of Volberg, Mon. The bride is not known here but Mr. Hedges is well known as he homesteaded south of Oyen in 1912 and was at one time agent for the International Harvester Company here. The groom disposed of his interests in the fall of 1916 and left for Volberg, where he is engaged in ranching operations.

## Socialist Candidate Speaks in Oyen

Geo. Paton, socialist candidate for this constituency, spoke to an audience of nearly one hundred people at the Oyen Opera House on Thursday evening last.

Thos. LaForty, the chairman, gave a short address before he introduced Geo. Paton. He explained how gold had a certain value and that the cost of labor was computed on a smaller basis. The statement was made that the amount of wages paid out annually in the United States would not purchase all the goods produced during the same period. This said difference belonged to the capitalists, who had to find a new market for this surplus. He also said that nearly all the wars were caused by this eagerness to find new markets, which is usually a commercial ambition of a nation and that territorial expansion is another.

Mr. Paton gave a brief review of how the railways were financed during the construction periods. Other minor topics were spoken of. The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

## Excel Dramatic Society

### 'When a Man's Single'

Under the auspices of the Excel Dramatic Society a comedy in three acts entitled "When a Man's Single" will be staged in the Excel hall, Thursday, Dec. 20th. The play consists of 8 articles all which are well-known. This is the first play ever put on by the Society and from all accounts will be a success. Norah, Pete and Jim the three comedians, keep the audience in a state of laughter as the plot is revealed. Much time and labor has been spent with this play and the Society deserve the support of everyone.

Pardon Quinn, who has won three gold medals at Toronto University as an elocutionist, will give several recitations during the evening.

The Sunday school will give an entertainment and Christmas tree in the Union Church, Friday evening, Dec 21st. Choruses, drills, songs and recitations will be given by the children. A silver collection will be taken. Everybody welcome.

If you do any travelling this Christmas, see us about a new trunk, travelling bag or suit case. Our window, this week, shows some of the lines we handle and if you want any of these, better buy them now.

It's time now that you were thinking of your Christmas Shopping.

We will be glad to have you look over our stock and offer suggestions to help you in making your selections.

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## MEN'S SUITS

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Mens Navy Serge Suits and mixed Tweed Suits in brown, grey navy, etc. Made in serviceable fall styles and well tailored. About 25 in the lot that have been left over from brisk fall selling.

Regular Prices were from \$52.50 to \$25.00.—Special Price to December 15th.—\$18.75.

## Mens Suits at \$8.75.

Imagine buying a new Fall Suit as low as \$8.75 but here they are, and new stock too, in browns, and mixed grey tweeds. Regular Prices were \$12.75 to \$17.50.—Special to Dec. 15th, \$8.75.

## 10 per cent off Boys' Suits.

10 days only, Dec. 5th to 15th, a large stock to choose from in sizes 26 to 33.

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MEN'S OUTFITTER,

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## WHAT CANADA HAS ACCOMPLISHED IN THE GREAT FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

SPLENDID ACHIEVEMENTS OF A YOUNG NATION  
Interesting Summary of the War Activities of the Dominion Brings  
To Notice the Contributions in Men and Wealth That Shows  
A Record of Which History Has No Parallel

F. H. Auld, deputy minister of agriculture, province of Saskatchewan, contributes the following interesting article in a recent issue of the Agricultural Review:

It is only possible to give the most summary of the war activities of Canada. To enter into particulars would easily fill a large space, and the great bulk of the information is not available to the ordinary enquirer, and, in addition to this, the publication of these matters would probably be disapproved by the censor. It will thus be seen that it is a matter of some difficulty to present anything like a complete answer to the question, "What has Canada done in the war?"

We find that on August 4, 1914, when war was declared, Canada had a population of 5,500,000. At the present time we have over 7,000,000. In the last five years we have added one million dollars to our national wealth, and we have given over one hundred and twenty million dollars to the war effort.

Five weeks after the declaration of war, 33,000 men were armed, equipped and sent to the front. In the history of the world, it is the greatest number of armed men to embark upon the seas at one time up to that date. This achievement is in itself particularly noteworthy in view of the fact that at the outbreak of the war Canada had only four permanent military units of less than 2,500 men.

At the present time out of an available military strength estimated at 125,000 men, a total of about 45,000 are now under arms, either at the front or in training camps in Canada. The task of raising 50,000 men, and it is expected that this number will be reached, although the government's compulsory nature has met with considerable opposition. The total of five hundred and thirty million dollars has already been raised for war purposes and at the same time the savings bank deposits of the people have increased by more than one hundred millions of dollars.

In the manufacture of munitions, nevertheless, the monthly output is steadily increasing. The value of the munitions supplied from 400 factories, which have been created or converted into munition plants of one kind or another since the war broke out, has been estimated at thirty million dollars per month.

A liberal pension bill for Canadian soldiers has been passed, and it may also be here mentioned that the Canadian soldier is better paid than any of the belligerent European forces. Separation allowances for wives and children of soldiers of Canada on active service are also paid.

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## A Dyspepsia Cure

M.D. advises "Persons who suffer from severe indigestion and constipation can obtain relief by taking fifteen to thirty drops of Extract of Roots after each meal and at bedtime. This remedy is known as Mother's Cures Syrup in the drug store, and is sold in 50c and \$1.00 bottles."

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## To Conserve Food British Food Controller Sends Message to United States

Lord Rhonda, the British food controller, has called to the United States Food Administrator Hoover the following message concerning Food Pledge Week and its purposes:

"We, the deniable little British army, three years ago flung itself into the breach and barred the road to the enemy. It was inspired not by a reasoned hope of defeating overwhelming odds, but by a desperate thought of conquest, but by the thought of all the human suffering and self-sacrifice. In glorious fulfillment of those aspirations the majority of that 'deniable little army' now lie in soldiers' graves. In the cause millions of our munished have freely offered their lives."

The patient Belgian handled that saved the day by holding the German armies at Liege; the magnificent troops of France that forever shattered at the battle of the Marne the Kaiser's dream of a Prussian Europe; the Serbs who contended inch by inch against infinitely superior forces the integrity of their land—have been actuated by the same motives. Most of them, now have only white wooden crosses to mark their self-sacrifice and devotion to duty.

To my own fellow countrymen I say quite frankly that what we ask of them in food economy is scarcely worthy the name of sacrifice, much less of heroism. They continue to live and stay in comfortable comfort, home comforts, and do not really distress themselves of quite unessential comforts. Then our bravest men died in vain. They have already placed the necessities of life under government control, both as to import and production price. It would have been impossible to do this without cooperation and advice in connection with our imported supplies.

If there is no marked reduction as a result of our voluntary food economy, the government will have to resort to compulsory rationing. The distribution of food will be less than I, but you also know that we are all faced with a shortage of the world's supply of cereals, meat, sugar and fat. For all these the allies in Europe are largely dependent on the American people. Unless there is a real self-sacrifice on the part of the American people, the common campaign for conservation and increased production of food, then food will be scarce. The result of your food pledge week will be to save food and more to civilization.

## Bullets of Gold Few Materials From Which Bullets Have Not Been Fashioned

The recent recovery of a silver bullet from the body of a man killed at Verdun recalls the days when bullets were made of silver. The bullet was found in the body of a man killed in the battle of Verdun. The bullet was made of silver, a material which is not commonly used for bullets. The bullet was found in the body of a man killed in the battle of Verdun. The bullet was made of silver, a material which is not commonly used for bullets.

## The Battle in Germany The Spirit of Ureter in Germany Has Good Omens

The contest between democracy and Kaiserism is one that we cannot help following with keen interest. The German people are not only for our own Germany, but for the sake of the new world which this country would wish to take its place in a new world. We cannot say with certainty how near the battle is to a decision, but there are indications of victory for the better side. Junior counter-attacks, Pan-German raids, and concealed Revolutionary complexities may hold up the attack of the German people on the Kaiser. The German people are not only for our own Germany, but for the sake of the new world which this country would wish to take its place in a new world.

## The Soldiers' Sewing Class A New means of distraction for men still under treatment has been found

Boys' Dabbling in needlework in the camp, which accommodates wounded from the western front. A sewing class was started in the camp, which accommodates wounded from the western front. A sewing class was started in the camp, which accommodates wounded from the western front. A sewing class was started in the camp, which accommodates wounded from the western front.

"Charlie is so systematic."

"I asked him in my last letter if he liked my new communication of February 24. He said he liked it very much, but that he was not a communication."

## Women Exposed To Shell Fire

More German Brutality in Belgium Revealed by Bucher's Letter

Belgian women and girls are being compelled to build concrete dugouts under artillery fire. The statement that this form of slavery has actually been practiced is recorded in the diary of a German soldier who was recently captured. He belonged to a Landwehr division and was personally in charge of a number of the unfortunate Belgians, who were daily forced together and taken to a zone near the German lines to perform manual labor of the hardest kind in constant danger of death. The soldier's diary tells the story as follows:

"I am going to give another instance of the inefficiency of the German authorities. If this isn't taken by way of reprisal, then it is a shameful deed. The men of Germany, which cannot be surpassed even in imagination, the civilian population of Liege was evacuated three or four weeks ago, and now women and children are being forced to work at the concrete dugouts of the village."

## The First Contingent Survivors of First Contingent Who Have Done Their Part Nobly

Mr. Stewart Lyon suggests that leave should be granted to the survivors of the first contingent to return to Canada. The survivors of the first contingent to return to Canada. The survivors of the first contingent to return to Canada. The survivors of the first contingent to return to Canada.

## Value of Western Canada's Crop The 1917 grain crop of Western Canada will net the farmers more than \$100,000,000 according to figures given out in financial circles.

The figures are based on the following estimates:

Wheat, \$40,000,000; oats, \$15,000,000; barley, \$10,000,000; rye, \$5,000,000; flax, \$3,000,000; and other crops, \$7,000,000.
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In addition to the large amount of money farmers will get for their grain crop, they are also to receive a bonus of \$100,000,000 for the year 1917.

## The Olde Walker House "THE HOUSE OF PLenty" TORONTO

PRESENTS  
HAROLD BONAPARTE'S ADVICE TO A YOUNG MAN LEAVING FOR AMERICA

"You men desert for the Western and I for the Eastern Hemisphere. A new career of action is before me, and I hope to unite my name with new and great events and with the successful progress of the world. You go to unite your name with a people among whom I believe at once the simple manner of the first age of Rome and the luxury of the dukes of the first age of France. The mobility and energy of Athens, with the factiousness, and the value of disputes without their disputes."

"An action of mine, I would advise your country in the following language: Every man and every nation is a nation, and nations grow with power, as the flower of a virtuous man is a man of force. Character, therefore, a national strength; strengthen your political institutions; remember that armies and navies are of no use in the world as the pillars of London or Paris, and soldiers are not made the power results in a minute collapse unless your people will be the pillars of gold fields on the north, broken in pieces, and the prey of foreign and domestic marauders. If you are your own people will be permanent; and perhaps Washington will be better as the founder of a glorious and happy empire than the name of Bonaparte will be obtained by succeeding revolutions." (Copyrighted).

GEORGE WRIGHT AND E. M. CARROLL, PROPRIETORS

## MUST DEMONSTRATE GERMANY CANNOT ESCAPE MILITARY DEFEAT

THE ONLY CHANCE TO SECURE PERMANENT PEACE

The Whole German System is Founded Upon Military Victories  
And the Legend of Successful Wars Followed by Profitable  
Plundering, and This Idea Must Be For Ever Destroyed

We shall not have done with the German peril until we have destroyed the structure on which German foreign policy rests and has rested for more than a century. We shall not be free from recurring dangers on the side of Germany until we have ruined the German system of the worst sufferer from such wars. No one need think twice of any appeal to German conscience on behalf of human humanity; these are attributes which have been the glory of Germany, so far as international relations are concerned. The only chance for permanent peace lies in establishing the fact in the German mind that there is no profit in international thieving, assassination and robbery. The only chance for permanent peace lies in establishing the fact in the German mind that there is no profit in international thieving, assassination and robbery.

The beginning of security for the world and of civilization for the German will be the demonstration by this war that the German system cannot escape defeat, with all its fat consequences, whenever he attacks his neighbors solely for plunder and victory. The whole German system is founded upon military victories and the legend of successful wars followed by profitable plundering. This legend can be destroyed only upon the battlefield, and under the contemporary British attack it is fast being destroyed. Fools and fanatics behind the line may yet rob the dead and the living, who have fought this war, of their labors and their sacrifices; but only these can save a Germany which has been so completely ruined. The only chance for permanent peace lies in establishing the fact in the German mind that there is no profit in international thieving, assassination and robbery.

White Mice Are in Demand  
What has been the greatest demand in New York and throughout the United States generally, because the United States government is using the little animals to treat impurities in the skin in soldiers, thus using a large part of the available supply, the research has been to continue testing pneumonia germs for the physicians of New York.

## THE MODERN ABOUT

FARMER  
STATSMAN  
MANUFACTURER  
MERCHANT  
SCIENTIST  
ARTIST  
PHILOSOPHER  
SOLDIER

Perhaps you've forgotten that old story about modest Aben Adam and the Angel. When Aben Adam woke up and saw the angel writing names, Aben Adam was a naturally curious old fellow, wanted to know who the writer was. Finally, after some talk as to who was the best man in those parts, the angel told him. Aben Adam was writing the names of the best people on his scroll. When he wrote down the name of the Canadian farmer, the back-bone of the country. When Fair O'Brien wrote a list of those who did most for Canada by his purchase of Victory Bonds, the Canadian farmer's name will lead all the rest.



## THE OYEN NEWS OYEN, ALBERTA.

Wednesday, December 12

### Large Crowd Attended Liberal Meeting

A meeting was held by the Liberals in support of Lieut. Rielly here last Wednesday evening when J. A. McColl, A. G. MacKay and Lieut. Rielly were the speakers.

J. J. Kelly was the chairman and by way of introduction remarked that he was pleased to see so many ladies present which showed that they were interested in the political situation, and although some of them were not able to vote at this election he hoped it would not be long before every woman would have the franchise. He then introduced Mr. McColl, the first speaker of the evening.

Mr. McColl in rising, said that first of all he would like to congratulate the people of Oyen for the splendid hall which they had built.

In speaking of the political situation, he said, there was never a time in the history of Canada when the people were so misled as they were being at the present time by the so-called Union Government, and went on to tell of events which had occurred since the Liberal Convention held at Winnipeg. He said he attended the Union convention held at Medicine Hat at which 4,000 voters north of the Red Deer River had only one representative present. At the Liberal convention held at Edmonton 200 delegates attended from all over the province.

Mr. McColl took objection to the franchise act which brought the blush of shame on Canada, since the government had encouraged the aliens, who had been disenfranchised, to come to this country and they were now British subjects. Now the Borden government were afraid of these people and had taken away their citizenship. He said it took four months to put through the Conscription Bill but it didn't take that time to put through the Franchise Act.

In conclusion Mr. McColl said he was out to support Lieut. Rielly who had been treated so well and had received a honorable discharge, and was a man well qualified to represent the people. The next speaker was Lieut. Rielly and in his opening remarks he thanked the ladies on behalf of the boys at the front for the splendid hall they gave in making bandages and the knitting of socks for the soldiers.

He gave a splendid description of war in its true light. He said the Union government was an attempt to rancidize the conservatives. Canada was practised in the war, with the intention to conceal objects by smearing bright colors with mud, sometimes the men and tents were smeared with mud.

The soldiers had their grievances with the Borden government as they had suffered considerably by the policies of Borden on account of the Ross rifle. At several battles the Canadians had lost many men owing to the rifles getting jammed and the only thing a soldier could do was to use the bayonet.

Lieut. Rielly said the Borden government was responsible for the falling off of recruits. Bennett and Borden had held several meetings in Quebec on National Service but nothing was said about recruits, while Laurier was telling of the sacrifices of Great Britain and urging the men in Quebec to enlist.

In closing Lieut. Rielly told his hearers to beware of politicians who wave the flag in order to deceive the public.

The last speaker was the Hon. A. G. MacKay who spoke for nearly two hours on the Borden administration, and said that it had got in six years ago by lag wading and it was still the same old government call it what you like.

He said there were many reasons why they didn't get recruits in Quebec. Laurier made several appeals to Borden to encourage the national pride of the French Canadians. What did Kitchener do in Great Britain? He appealed to the national pride by forming Welsh and Scottish regiments, and if Borden had gone about recruiting in Quebec the same as Kitchener had done he would have been more successful.

He was also in favor of better pay for the soldiers. In Australia the soldier received \$2.50 a day. Isn't it right that these men be paid a living wage apart from their loyalty and the risk they took. He also thought the pensions allowed to the widows and families of private soldiers should equal that of an officers.

Hon. MacKay was undeniably a clever speaker and his opponents could not deny that he presented the Liberal cause in a favorable light.

#### Canadian Photographic Record

The Officer I. C. Canadian War Records has asked us to make known that it is desired to compile a complete history in photograph of the Canadians share in the war, in the same way that all other belligerent countries are compiling similar records.

It is particularly desired to obtain photographs of all Officers, N. C. O.'s and men who have served or are now serving in the Overseas Military Forces of Canada, and it is requested that an appeal should be made to this end through these columns.

All photographs, which will be acknowledged, should be addressed to: The Officer Canadian War Records, 14 Clifford St., Bond St., London, W. 1, England.

#### NOTICE

I will be at the Oyen News office, Friday, Dec. 14 and Saturday, Dec. 15th from two till five p.m. to receive school taxes. Five per cent penalty will be added after Dec. 15th.

W. H. PETERSON.

#### HOME VISITORS

### EXCURSIONS TO United States Points

Minneapolis, St. Paul, Milwaukee, Chicago, Des Moines, Kansas City and other points

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### Chances at the Front

Now that the United States is adding steadily to the number of "our boys over there" compilations of chances of the soldier at the front as made by the Chicago Herald are no less interesting than significant. To quote:

"He has 29 chances of coming home to one chance of being killed. He has 98 chances of recovering from a wound to two chances of dying. He has only one chance in 500 of losing a limb. He will live five years longer because of physical training. He is freer from disease in the army than in civil life. He has better medical care at the front than at home. In other wars from 10 to 15 men died from disease to every 10 from bullets. This is less wasteful of life than any other in history."

The war is fearful enough in all sense, but its fearfulness in respect to mortalities in engagements falls very short of what the Jeremiahs would have people believe. The pessimistic element often speaks without knowledge or with disregard of percentages. The statistician deals with things not as he might like to find them, but as they actually appear. It is this quality that injects into the Chicago newspaper's computations a measure of comfort and of hopefulness that of right should be given its befitting publicity and standing in these anxious days.

#### NOTICE

All Taxes must be paid by Dec. 20th or same will be collected without further notice.

J. S. THOMPSON,  
Sec. Treas.

## Let the People Rule VOTE FOR Lieut. Clifford B. Rielly Liberal Candidate

Why should not all the women be allowed to vote? It will be to the shame and detriment of Canada that the Borden Government should manufacture a new Electorate and disallow the franchise to so many honest, patriotic Canadians in order to win an election.

Why conscript the blood of the land and allow the profiteers run rampant? Men will volunteer, but dollars will not. Oh! that wealth should be so dear, yet flesh and blood should be so cheap.

A vote for Rielly is a vote to win the war, and a vote for democracy in Canada.

A vote for the soldier who has fought for his country on the battlefields of France.

A vote for honest, efficient government of the people.

A vote for the removal of the tariff on farm machinery and reduce the cost to the farmer.

Increase the production of foodstuffs that the soldiers may be fed.

**Election Day Monday,  
December 17th.**

### The Control of Insect Pests

The Annual Report of the Dominion Entomologist for the year ending March 31st, 1917, has just been issued by the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, and in its twenty four pages a brief record is given of the activities of the officers of the Entomological Branch. The necessity of protecting all our crops from insect pests, and a view to increasing crop production is more urgent than ever at this present time. The establishment of regional entomological stations of which there are now ten in different provinces, has greatly enlarged the scope of the work and the usefulness of the officers concerned. Concise statements are given of the progress of the following lines of work: investigations on insects affecting grain and field crops, garden and greenhouse, fruit crops, forest and shade trees, stored grain and other products, insects affecting domestic and other animals, the household and public health, the introduction and colonization of parasite insects and studies of natural control; field work against the brown-tail moth in the Maritime Provinces; and the inspection of imported nursery stock. A brief statement of the work undertaken with a view to the control of the spruce sawfly, particularly birds, is also given.

Copies may be obtained on application to the Publication Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa. All enquiries respecting insect pests should be addressed to the Dominion Entomologist, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa; such requests may be mailed free of postage.

## Xmas! Xmas!

Our stock of Xmas presents is now complete. Ladies and Gent's Watches and Wrist Watches. Necklaces and Lavalieres from \$2.50 to \$35.00

Bracelets for the Baby and for the Lady. Brooches in Solid Gold and Gold Filled.

Silverware and Genuine Cut Glass in the latest designs. Cut glass consists of Water Sets, Bowls, Sugar and Creams, Sauce Dishes. Don't overlook our Silver Decorative Ware in Brown Betty Tea Sets, Glass and China Ware.

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## EXCURSIONS

### FARMER'S VACATION TIME.

The farmer's vacation time is here!—all farmers take a vacation—fifty do not, they certainly should. Vacation time, of course, means a holiday and a change of climate if possible, a change of surroundings, a change from the general routine, which must at intervals become monotonous. Even a change of faces is sometimes anything but unimportant. Take a trip—somewhere—anywhere—and just mention your intention to the nearest Canadian Northern agent; we'll do the rest, and we'll do it right. We have them all the Service—Equipment—Dining Car service—Standard Sleeping Cars—Newest and Best of Tourist Cars and Jay Coaches, electric lighted with every latest improvement, all of which with the courtesies of the attendants, make up a service that Canadians are likely to find when taking a rest in a boat-fun-filled.

ASK FOR PAMPHLETS  
F. E. TODD, Agent, Oyen.

## The New Meat Market

Next door to the Delicatessen

Fresh, Salted and Smoked Meats  
Best prices paid for Hides

**C. E. BEARD**

## PACIFIC COAST EXCURSIONS

Vancouver, Victoria & New Westminster  
\$41.95 RETURN From OYEN

### SUMMER TIME ON THE COAST

Just a few miles away on our Pacific Coast, other folks are enjoying the temperature and spots of summer. Boating, fishing and sun bathing out there while it's pretty cold on the prairie.

### FARES GREATLY REDUCED

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1917 DECEMBER 1917

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#### Sacred Heart Church.

Mass will be held in the Sacred Heart Church on Christmas Eve Dec 25th and Christmas morning at 7 and 10 A. M.

Rev. W. F. Bowlen.

**OYEN METHODIST CHURCH**  
Next Sunday

Preaching Service 7.30 p.m.  
Sunday School 2.30 p.m.  
Boys 11 a.m.  
Benton School 3.00 p.m.

Rev. S. B. Webster, Pastor

### R. M. of Golden Centre

The 12th meeting of council R. M. of Golden Centre No. 272 was held at L. C. Michaels on Monday Dec 3rd-1917.

Members all present. Minutes read and confirmed.

Councillor Logan was instructed to interview J. J. Kelly, Re Joyce-Anderson and have him advise Secretary where to deliver cheques to J. A. Baker and M. B. Mabeo for horses sold in error by D. Joyce pound-keeper, also on advice of J. J. Kelly to begin suit against D. Joyce. The following accounts were paid:

Beaver Lbr. Co., Lumber for culverts	8.00
Oyen News, Oct. Card	1.00
Western Municipal News, 1000 Tax Receipts	12.00
London Guar. Ass. Co., Premium on Bonds	10.00
Can Hill S.D., Advance	40.00
Farm Valley S.D., "	100.00
Longlake S.D., "	250.00
E. V. King, Delivering Mess-	2.00
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Gardiner, for Loan,	100.00
L. C. Michaels, Rent,	38.50
E. Gardiner, Fee & Mfrg.,	4.00
J. Ellis,	6.00
E. C. Wilson,	10.00
E. B. Fulton,	8.00
H. G. Hamilton,	0.00
H. G. Logan,	0.00
H. H. Ewing, Commission,	21.18
E. H. Walper, Handling Fines,	34.00
W. J. Wilson, Rollers & Drives	11.50
Beaver Lbr. Co., Lumber for Culverts	51.95
W. J. Wilson, wages for Roadwork,	60.00
Wilson,	15.75
W. J. Wilson, Gasoline,	13.00
John Hault, fence for Cop Hill Cemetery,	100.00
Geo. Hall, Roadwork,	47.50

M. E. Boyers was advised he would have to look to owners of horses for payment of hay destroyed by them.

Hall Insurance board was requested to assign all outstanding Hall Insurance notes to Union Bank at Corral.

John Dahl, Charlie McKinnon and Win Belgar were appointed Board of Trustees for Cop Hill Cemetery.

Department of Public Works was requested to rush blue print for diversion at N. W. 27-20-5.

Council adjourned to meet Monday Jan 7th 1918.

Ralph Green, Secy-Treas.

#### The Seal Weekly News

Mr. and Mrs. Lyvo, of Prairieville ran up to Rev L. C. Michaels place Tuesday of last week and had their youngest daughter, Violet Mary christened.

Enumerators are busy these days in township 30-range 5.

Jack Walper and wife took Rev. and Mrs. Michaels and Mrs. Wayne Coates to Wildflower Ladies Aid bazaar at Wildflower school on Thursday of last week.

#### Local Items

W. V. Miller left Sunday morning for Nova Scotia where he will spend the winter.

Fred Warrack left on Tuesday for Los Angeles, Cal, where he will visit friends.

Mrs. A. Bates left for England last Thursday.

Mrs. J. W. Robinson, who has been ill during the last week, resumed her duties as teacher in the school on Monday.

The danger of fire was brought very close home to us this morning when John Herbrand, manager of the Pool hall, had a very narrow escape from being burnt to death. It appears that he was carrying a lighted torch past an open can of gasoline when it exploded. His clothes caught fire, and fortunately for him he had the presence of mind to run out on the street and roll in the snow which soon extinguished the flames.

The Amdin constituency have contributed to the Canadian Patriotic Fund during the month of November the sum of \$1567.10.

The following selected quarters, most of which are for sale on exceptionally easy terms:

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### Fire Insurance

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Get that 2000 lbs. of summer time in a ton of Midland or Atlas coal at

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"Your Lumbermen"

## When a Man's Single,

A Comedy lasting two and one-half hours.

Presented by

**The Excel Dramatic Society -**  
**At Excel, Thursday, Dec. 20th, 1917,**  
**At Eight-Thirty Sharp.**

Admission 75 cents. Reserved Seats \$1.00. Children 25 cents.

First Two Rows Reserved for the Children.

Reserved Seat Tickets on sale at C. R. Bishop's, Excel and The Oyen News Office.  
General Admission to be taken at the door.







## Good Draying Outfits - - For Livery.

We beg to inform the people of Oyen, that we are now in the Draying Business and solicit a share of your patronage. Prices Reasonable.

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We have one of the best and most up-to-date Billiard Halls in the west.

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## NEW YORK CAFE

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G. J. Gibson, Manager

## Large Crowd See The Birth of a Nation

In spite of the severe cold weather on Friday and Saturday large crowds attended the Opera house to see this famous historical play, The Birth of a Nation. This play was of the first class and was highly instructive and interesting.

Mr Barnum of the United Producing Co who presented the Birth of a Nation, told the News that his firm plan on a number of high class dramas and comedies visiting Oyen this winter. "Honeysuckle Henry" a musical comedy with Billy Oswald will be here early in January. This will be followed by Albert Brown in "The White Feather" Mrs Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch "The Wolf Within the Law" "Which one shall I marry" and several other all of which will be of the same high standard of excellence which characterises all United Producing Co's Shows.

## What Are We Going To Do About It?

We are glad to hear that Mrs J. W. Robinson has recovered from her illness and is once more back at school. Miss Evans who has also been teaching under difficulties is now taking her turn on the sick list. Would it not be better to close the schools until the new building is ready, or undertake to pay the doctor's bills.

## LAMP EXPLODES

J. W. Crockett's home narrowly escaped being burned down on Tuesday evening last. It appears that a lamp was standing on a dresser in the bedroom when it exploded setting fire to several dresses which were hanging on the wall close by. The alarm was soon raised, and had it not been for the timely assistance of G. Wright who was the first on the scene and got the blaze under control, it would have been a serious fire.

## CLASSIFIED ADS.

Cattle Pups for sale, pure bred, price \$2.50. Wm. Bishop.

FOR SALE—Flax seed, \$3 per bushel. W. J. Byler, Oyen.

HORSES FOR SALE—16 good work horses and 4 yearling fillies. Also good grade stallion 7 years old, wt 1800 lbs, guaranteed right inventory way. Prices reasonable. Black Bros. 28-28-4.

IMPROVED FARM SNAP west half Section 7-27-4, west of 4th meridian, Oyen district, improved, with well 50 feet deep. For particulars see or write owner at 311 Sixth Avenue, Saskatoon, Sask.

FOR SALE—A good Oyen, in first-class condition. Price and terms apply News Office.

FOR SALE—Barred Plymouth Rock Cockerels bred from Guolph and Edmonton winners, price \$2.00 each B. G. Watts, 18-20-4, Oyen.

TO RENT—A two room shack on second avenue. Box 147, Oyen.

LOST—A black fur robe, with striped lining and red binding, on Nov. 8th, between Sec. 28-20-4 and Oyen. Finder please return to News Office and receive reward.

PROPERTY FOR SALE—Third Avenue, Shack 10430 ft., furnished also garage 12x16 ft. W. V. Miller

STRAYED—From Sec. 28-27-4, since June, Brown mare, right hind leg white to the knee and white forehead, 4 yrs old, weight 1600 lbs. A reward of \$25.00 will be given for recovery of this mare. C. E. Brunkell, Oyen

FOR SALE—Horse, Cutter, Buggy and Harness. The horse is young and a good single driver. A snap for cash. Fred Thompson, 18-27-5, Oyen.

# SUPPORT UNION GOVERNMENT

Liberals and Conservatives are United  
The People Must Unite to

## Win the War

A Laurier-Bourassa Victory means deserting our boys in the trenches for over a year, throwing up our hands and quitting! Don't shout "Kamerad" under the Referendum proposal. Come out and fight for Union Government.

## Make No Mistake

IF LAURIER WINS:

- (1) Canada will send no more reinforcements to the front, which practically means quitting the war and placing the country in the same class as Russia.
- (2) The French-Canadians who have shouldered their duty in this war will be the dominating force in the Government of the country.

## ARE THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING PEOPLE PREPARED TO STAND FOR THAT?

It is because the French-Canadians have not done their duty that Conscription had to be resorted to.

The French-Canadians have made it perfectly clear that they do not like the war and are against Canada participating in it further. Some of them even go to the length of saying that the soldiers should be brought back from the front. The Nationalists are demanding that the men who have been enrolled under the Military Service Act be disbanded and sent back to their homes. To secure the Nationalist support Laurier-Liberal candidates in Quebec have signed the following pledge:—

"I, the undersigned, candidate in the Federal Elections, undertake by these presents, if I am elected, to demand the immediate suspension of the Military Service Act, 1917, and of all its effects until Canadian electors have pronounced by way of plebiscite; and should the majority of the electors determine that it be considered as null from its origin and thus in consequence all conscripts be disbanded."

"I also undertake to vote against any Government which should refuse to adopt the above enunciated policy."

This Advertisement is inserted by The Unionist Party Publicity Committee

# UNIONIST MEETING

# SATURDAY, DEC. 15

AT THE

## Oyen Opera House

At 8 o'clock p.m., when the following gentlemen will speak

**N. A. McCLARTY**  
and **H. H. Brown**

Of Medicine Hat, and

**- - R. MANGLES - -**

Of Youngstown.

Everybody turn out and hear the issues of the day discussed.